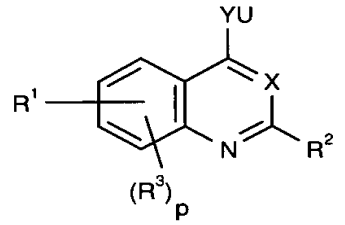
Claims

1. A method of treating a susceptible cancer in a human or animal subject mammal, comprising administering to said subject an effective amount of a compound of formula (I):



(I)

or a salt or solvate thereof;

wherein X is N or CH;

Y is a group $W(CH_2)$, $(CH_2)W$, or W, in which W is O, $S(O)_m$ wherein m is 0, 1 or 2, or NR^a wherein R^a is hydrogen or a C_{1-8} alkyl group;

R^1 represents a 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic ring containing 1 to 4 heteroatoms selected from N, O or $S(O)_m$, wherein m is as defined above, with the provisos that the ring does not have two adjacent O or $S(O)_m$ atoms and that where the ring has only N as heteroatom(s) the ring is C-linked to the quinazoline or quinoline ring, R^1 being optionally substituted by one or more R^3 groups;

each R^3 is independently selected from the group consisting of amino, hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, carboxy, formyl, cyano, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, carbamoyl, ureido, guanidino, C_{1-8} alkyl, C_{1-8} alkoxy, C_{3-8} cycloalkoxyl, C_{4-8} alkylcycloalkoxy, C_{1-8} alkylcarbonyl, C_{1-8} alkoxycarbonyl, N-C_{1-4} alkylcarbamoyl, N,N-di-[C_{1-4} alkyl]carbamoyl, hydroxyamino, C_{1-4} alkoxyamino, C_{2-4} alkanoyloxyamino, C_{1-4} alkylamino, di[C_{1-4} alkyl]amino, di-[C_{1-4} alkyl]amino-C_{1-4} alkylene-(C_{1-4} alkyl)amino, C_{1-4} alkylamino-C_{1-4}

alkylene-(C_{1-4} alkyl)amino, hydroxy-C_{1-4} alkylene-(C_{1-4} alkyl)amino, phenyl, phenoxy, 4-pyridon-1-yl, pyrrolidin-1-yl, imidazol-1-yl, piperidino, morpholino, thiomorpholino, thiomorpholino-1-oxide, thiomorpholino-1,1-dioxide, piperazin-1-yl, 4-C_{1-4} alkylpiperazin-1-yl, dioxolanyl, C_{1-8} alkylthio, arylthio, C_{1-4} alkylsulphinyl, C_{1-4} alkylsulphonyl, arylsulphonyl, arylsulphinyl, halogeno-C_{1-4} alkyl, hydroxy-C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{2-4} alkanoyloxy-C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy-C_{1-4} alkyl, carboxy-C_{1-4} alkyl, formyl-C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl-C_{1-4}-alkyl, carbamoyl-C_{1-4} alkyl, N-C_{1-4} alkylcarbamoyl-C_{1-4}alkyl, N,N-di-[C_{1-4} alkyl]carbamoyl-C_{1-4}alkyl, amino-C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkylamino-C_{1-4} alkyl, di-[C_{1-4} alkyl]amino-C_{1-4} alkyl, phenyl-C_{1-4} alkyl, 4-pyridon-1-yl-C_{1-4} alkyl, pyrrolidin-1-yl-C_{1-4} alkyl, imidazol-1-yl-C_{1-4} alkyl, piperidino-C_{1-4} alkyl, morpholino-C_{1-4} alkyl, thiomorpholino-C_{1-4} alkyl, thiomorpholino-1-oxide-C_{1-4}alkyl, thiomorpholino-1,1-dioxide-C_{1-4}alkyl, piperazin-1-yl-C_{1-4}alkyl, 4-C_{1-4} alkylpiperazin-1-yl-C_{1-4} alkyl, hydroxy-C_{2-4} alkoxy-C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy-C_{2-4} alkoxy-C_{1-4} alkyl, hydroxy-C_{2-4} alkylamino-C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy-C_{2-4} alkylamino-C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkylthio-C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkylsulphinyl-C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkylsulphonyl-C_{1-4} alkyl, hydroxy-C_{2-4} alkylthio-C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy-C_{2-4} alkylthio-C_{1-4} alkyl, phenoxy-C_{1-4} alkyl, anilino-C_{1-4} alkyl, phenylthio-C_{1-4} alkyl, cyano-C_{1-4} alkyl, halogeno-C_{2-4} alkoxy, hydroxy-C_{2-4} alkoxy, C_{2-4} alkanoyloxy-C_{2-4} alkoxy, C_{1-4} alkoxy-C_{2-4} alkoxy, carboxy-C_{1-4} alkoxy, formyl-C_{1-4} alkoxy, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl-C_{1-4} alkoxy, carbamoyl-C_{1-4} alkoxy, N-C_{1-4} alkylcarbamoyl-C_{1-4} alkoxy, N,N-di-[C_{1-4} alkyl]carbamoyl-C_{1-4} alkoxy, amino-C_{2-4} alkoxy, C_{1-4} alkylamino-C_{2-4} alkoxy, di-[C_{1-4} alkyl]amino-C_{2-4} alkoxy, di-[C_{1-4} alkyl-C_{2-4} alkoxy]amino-C_{2-4} alkoxy, C_{2-4} alkanoyloxy, hydroxy-C_{2-4} alkanoyloxy, C_{1-4}alkoxy-C_{2-4} alkanoyloxy, phenyl-C_{1-4} alkoxy, phenoxy-C_{2-4} alkoxy, anilino-C_{2-4} alkoxy, phenylthio-C_{2-4} alkoxy, 4-pyridon-1-yl-C_{2-4} alkoxy, piperidino-C_{2-4} alkoxy, morpholino-C_{2-4} alkoxy,

thiomorpholino-C_{2-4} alkoxy, thiomorpholino-1-oxide-C_{2-4} alkoxy, thiomorpholino-1,1-dioxide-C_{2-4} alkoxy, piperazin-1-yl-C_{2-4} alkoxy, 4-C_{1-4} alkylpiperazin-1-yl-C_{2-4} alkoxy, pyrrolidin-1-yl-C_{2-4} alkoxy, imidazol-1-yl-C_{2-4} alkoxy, halogeno-C_{2-4} alkylamino, hydroxy-C_{2-4} alkylamino, C_{2-4} alkanoyloxy-C_{2-4} alkylamino, C_{1-4} alkoxy-C_{2-4} alkylamino, carboxy-C_{1-4} alkylamino, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl-C_{1-4} alkylamino, carbamoyl-C_{1-4} alkylamino, N-C_{1-4} alkylcarbamoyl-C_{1-4} alkylamino, N,N-di-[C_{1-4} alkyl]carbamoyl-C_{1-4} alkylamino, amino-C_{2-4} alkylamino, C_{1-4} alkylamino-C_{2-4} alkylamino, di-[C_{1-4}alkyl]amino-C_{2-4} alkylamino, phenyl-C_{1-4} alkylamino, phenoxy-C_{2-4} alkylamino, anilino-C_{2-4} alkylamino, 4-pyridon-1-yl- C_{2-4} alkylamino, pyrrolidin-1-yl-C_{2-4} alkylamino, imidazol-1-yl-C_{2-4} alkylamino, piperidino-C_{2-4} alkylamino, morpholino-C_{2-4} alkylamino, thiomorpholino-C_{2-4} alkylamino, thiomorpholino-1-oxide-C_{2-4} alkylamino, thiomorpholino-1,1-dioxide-C_{2-4} alkylamino, piperazin-1-yl-C_{2-4}alkylamino, 4-(C_{1-4}alkyl)piperazin-1-yl-C_{2-4}alkylamino, phenylthio-C_{2-4} alkylamino, C_{2-4} alkanoylamino, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonylamino, C_{1-4} alkylsulphonylamino, C_{1-4} alkylsulphinylamino, benzamido, benzenesulphonamido, 3-phenylureido, 2-oxopyrrolidin-1-yl, 2,5-dioxopyrrolidin-1-yl, halogeno-C_{2-4} alkanoylamino, hydroxy-C_{2-4} alkanoylamino, hydroxy-C_{2-4} alkanoyl-(C_{1-4} alkyl)-amino, C_{1-4} alkoxy-C_{2-4} alkanoylamino, carboxy-C_{2-4} alkanoylamino, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl-C_{2-4} alkanoylamino, carbamoyl-C_{2-4} alkanoylamino, N-C_{1-4} alkylcarbamoyl-C_{2-4} alkanoylamino, N,N-di-[C_{1-4} alkyl]carbamoyl-C_{2-4} alkanoylamino, amino-C_{2-4} alkanoylamino, C_{1-4} alkylamino-C_{2-4} alkanoylamino or di-[C_{1-4} alkyl]amino-C_{2-4} alkanoylamino; and wherein said benzamido or benzenesulphonamido substituent or any anilino, phenoxy or phenyl group on a R^3 substituent may optionally have one or two halogeno, C_{1-4} alkyl or C_{1-4} alkoxy substituents; and wherein any substituent having a heterocyclic ring may optionally have one or two halogeno, C_{1-4} alkyl or C_{1-4} alkoxy substituents on said ring; and wherein any substituent having a

heterocyclic ring may optionally have one or two oxo or thioxo substituents on said ring;

or R^3 represents a group selected from M^1-M^2-M^3-M^4, M^1-M^5 or M^1-M^2-$M^{3'}$-M^6 wherein

M^1 represents a C_{1-4} alkyl group, wherein optionally a CH_2 group is replaced by a CO group;

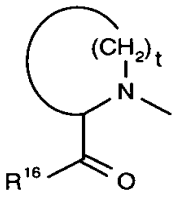
M^2 represents NR^{12} or $CR^{12}R^{13}$, in which R^{12} and R^{13} each independently represent H or C_{1-4} alkyl;

M^3 represents a C_{1-4} alkyl group;

$M^{3'}$ represents a C_{1-4} alkyl group or is absent;

M^4 represents CN, $NR^{12}S(O)_mR^{13}$, $S(O)_mNR^{14}R^{15}$, $CONR^{14}R^{15}$, $S(O)_mR^{13}$ or CO_2R^{13}, in which R^{12}, R^{13} and m are as defined above and R^{14} and R^{15} each independently represent H or C_{1-4} alkyl, or R^{14} and R^{15} together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a 5-or 6-membered ring optionally containing 1 or 2 additional heteroatoms selected from N, O or $S(O)_m$ in which ring any nitrogen atom present may optionally be substituted with a C_{1-4} alkyl group, and which ring may optionally have one or two oxo or thioxo substituents;

M^5 represents the group $NR^{14}R^{15}$, wherein R^{14} and R^{15} are as defined above, or M^5 represents the group



in which t represents 2 to 4 and R^{16} represents OH, OC_{1-4} alkyl or $NR^{14}R^{15}$; and

M^6 represents a C_{3-6} cycloalkyl group, the group $NR^{14}R^{15}$, wherein R^{14} and R^{15} are as defined above, or a 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic ring system containing 1 to 4 heteroatoms selected from N, O or S;

and p is 0 to 3; or when p is 2 or 3, two adjacent R^3 groups together form an optionally substituted methylenedioxy or ethylenedioxy group;

R^2 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halogen, trifluoromethyl, C_{1-4} alkyl and C_{1-4} alkoxy;

U represents phenyl or a 5 to 10-membered mono or bicyclic ring system in which one or more of the carbon atoms is optionally replaced by a heteroatom independently selected from N, O and $S(O)_m$, wherein m is 0,1 or 2, and wherein U is substituted by at least one independently selected R^6 group and U is optionally substituted by at least one independently selected R^4 group;

each R^4 is independently hydrogen, hydroxy, halogen, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, C_{1-4} alkylamino, di-[C_{1-4} alkyl]amino, C_{1-4} alkylthio, C_{1-4} alkylsulphinyl, C_{1-4} alkylsulphonyl, C_{1-4} alkylcarbonyl, C_{1-4} alkylcarbamoyl, di-[C_{1-4} alkyl] carbamoyl, carbamyl, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl, cyano, nitro or trifluoromethyl;

each R^6 is independently a group ZR^7 wherein Z is joined to R^7 through a $(CH_2)p$ group in which p is 0, 1 or 2 and Z represents a group $V(CH_2)$, $V(CF_2)$, $(CH_2)V$, $(CF_2)V$, V(CRR'), V(CHR) or V where R and R' are each C_{1-4} alkyl and in which V is a hydrocarbyl group containing 0,1 or 2 carbon atoms, carbonyl, dicarbonyl, CH(OH), CH(CN), sulphonamide, amide, O, $S(O)_m$ or NR^b where R^b is hydrogen or R^b is C_{1-4} alkyl; and R^7 is an optionally substituted C_{3-6} cycloalkyl; or an optionally substituted 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 or 10-membered carbocyclic or heterocyclic moiety;
or R^6 is a group ZR^7 in which Z is NR^b, and NR^b and R^7 together form an optionally substituted 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 or 10-membered carbocyclic or heterocyclic moiety.

2. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the susceptible cancer is a susceptible breast cancer.

3. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the susceptible cancer is a susceptible non-small cell lung cancer.

4. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the susceptible cancer is a susceptible ovarian cancer.

5. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the susceptible cancer is a susceptible stomach cancer.

6. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the susceptible cancer is a susceptible pancreatic cancer.

7. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the susceptible cancer is a susceptible head and neck cancer.

8. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the susceptible cancer is a susceptible cancer characterized by expression or over-expression of EGFR.

9. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the susceptible cancer is a susceptible cancer characterized by expression or over-expression of erbB-2.

10. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the susceptible cancer is a susceptible cancer characterized by expression